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July 1, 2011

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Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: GN Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

The potential merger between AT&T and T-Mobile will have multiple benefits, none of which should be overlooked or ignored. After the merger is permitted to proceed, AT&T will grow out their wireless broadband service to over ninety-seven percent of the country. This is very impressive and will have many positive effects.

Additionally, both companies are currently facing an impending wireless exhaustion that can be overcome by joining forces and growing stronger. The merger will provide for a faster and more efficient AT&T that will be better suited to serve their customers' wireless needs. This should be a central point of consideration throughout your deliberation process.

Perhaps the biggest winners throughout this transaction are the AT&T or T-Mobile customers in Louisiana who will receive overall better service from their phone and internet provider. Improvements including better voice quality and fewer dropped calls will come as a result of this merger. Increased cell tower density and broader network infrastructure will go a long way in upgrading AT&T's advanced broadband network.

All of these factors will lead to a stronger, more innovative economy. By connecting nearly every business and household to wireless broadband, we as a people will become more efficient, inventive, and interconnected. This merger will lay the groundwork for a stronger, more prosperous economy throughout the state.

Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners

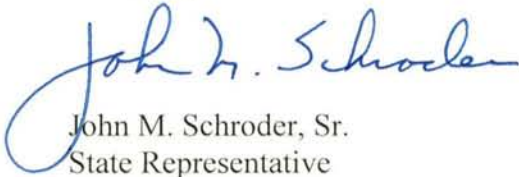
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Please carefully consider the incredible benefits and advancements that this merger will provide for Louisiana residents. We can't afford to let this opportunity pass us by.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John M. Schroder, Sr." The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent part.

John M. Schroder, Sr.  
State Representative

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